Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a therapeutically effective amount of gabapentin or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof and a therapeutically effective amount of pregabalin or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof wherein said effective amounts have a synergistic effect in the treatment of pain ; and wherein said composition does not further contain an NSAID, analgesic, NMDA receptor antagonist or opioid.

2. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1 which comprises gabapentin in the form of the free acid and pregabalin is in the form of the free acid.

3. Cancelled

4. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 wherein the ratio of gabapentin to pregabalin is from 1:1 to 1000:1 by weight.

5. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 wherein the ratio of gabapentin to pregabalin is from 1:1 to 250:1 by weight.

6. (Currently Amended) A method for the treatment of pain in a mammal in need thereof comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of gabapentin or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof and a therapeutically effective amount of pregabalin or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof in unit dosage form wherein said effective amounts have a synergistic effect in the treatment of pain ; and wherein said method does not further comprise administering an NSAID, analgesic, NMDA receptor antagonist or opioid.

7. (Currently Amended): A method for the treatment of pain in a mammal in need thereof comprising concomitant administration of a therapeutically effective amount of gabapentin or

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof and a therapeutically effective amount of pregabalin or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof wherein said effective amounts have a synergistic effect in the treatment of pain ; and wherein said method does not further comprise concomitant administration of an NSAID, analgesic, NMDA receptor antagonist or opioid.

8. (Original): A method according to Claim 7 wherein gabapentin is administered in the amount of from 5 to 250 mg and pregabalin in the amount of from 5 to 25 mg.

9. (Original): A method for the treatment of pain according to Claim 7 wherein the pain is selected from: hyperalgesia, allodynia, and inflammatory.

10. (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 wherein the ratio of gabapentin to pregabalin is from 1:1 to 10:1 by weight.

11. (New): A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 wherein the ratio of gabapentin to pregabalin is at least 10:1 by weight.